WHEREAS, on March 2, 1799, President John Adams signed into law the first national Weights and Measures Law, in accordance with the Constitutional provision for Congress to "fix the standards of weights and measures"; and

WHEREAS, the accuracy and uniformity of weights and measures is essential to the daily lives of all people; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Inspections of the South Dakota Department of Agriculture expends hundreds of man-hours in testing the accuracy of measuring and weighing devices such as scales, and gasoline, oil and petroleum meters, and the net labeled content of packaged items for the protection of consumers and dealers; and

WHEREAS, the accuracy of weights and measures is generally taken for granted by most citizens:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of March 1 through March 7, 1972 as

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES WEEK IN SOUTH DAKOTA

to commemorate the signing of our first Weights and Measures Law and to recognize and pay tribute to Weights and Measures officials of the Division of Inspections of the South Dakota Department of Agriculture and the Public Utilities Commission.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this 28th day of February, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-two.

Richard F. Kneip

RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Alma Larson

ALMA LARSON, SECRETARY OF STATE

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